

No. OR/MS/35/77

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To

All State Governments and Union Territories regarding need for Traffic Engineering Cells in the State P.W.Ds.

I am directed to invite a reference to this Ministry's letter No. PL-50(19)/73 dated the 24th June, 1974 and D.O. letter of even number dated the 18th June, 1976 from the Director General (Road Development) and Additional Secretary in this Ministry to the State Public Works Department Secretaries and Chief Engineers stressing the need and urgency for the creation of Traffic Engineering Cells in the State P.W.Ds. As explained in these letters, this matter had also been discussed at a number of forums in the past including the meeting of the Chief Engineers and the need for establishing traffic engineering cells had been appreciated by all concerned. However, it appears that not much headway has been made by the States as far in the actual setting up of these cells due to financial limitations and actually it is not known how many states have already set up such cells and how many have yet to set up the required organisations.

2. Meanwhile the objectives of the Central Road Fund has also been revised which provide now *inter-alia* for traffic studies also and this Ministry feel that the State Governments could easily meet the expenditure involved in the creation of the required traffic engineering cells from the Central Road Fund Allocations Account in the light of the revised objectives of the modified Resolution already sent to the States recently. I am, therefore, to request you kindly re-examine the question of setting up of the required traffic engineering cells and to formulate suitable proposal for setting up these cells from States' Central Road Fund Allocations Account wherever these cells have not been set up so far. The Government of India on their behalf would be prepared to give their fullest consideration to such proposals as and when they are received. It will, therefore, be greatly appreciated if the matter is reviewed in the light of this position and action taken is intimated to this Ministry. While doing so, the position of cells, if any, already set up may also kindly be indicated with upto date set up, its function and the progress made by it so far. An early reply is requested.

#### Rough Cost Estimate for setting up Traffic Engineering Cells in List I States\*

Item	Nos.	Actual Cost Rs	5 years cost Rs
<b>A</b>			
1. Superintending Engineer	1	23,400	
2. Executive Engineer	2	39,600	
3. Asst. Executive Engineer	2	30,000	
4. Statistician-cum-Economist/Investigators	2	31,200	**
5. Traffic Enumerators	12	57,600	
		1,81,800	9,09,000
Say Rs 9 lakhs.			
<b>B</b> Secretariat and other Supporting staff.	L.S.		2,10,000
<b>C</b> Contingent expenditure like TA, DA, Office Rent, Books, Journals, Printing of Forms reports etc.	L.S.		90,000
<b>D</b> Office Equipment, Jeeps, Typewriters, telephone etc.	L.S.		75,000
<b>E</b> Traffic Equipment like automatic counters, Callipers, stop watches, camera, driver and pavement surface testing equipment, fluorometer etc.	L.S.		2,25,000
	TOTAL		15,00,000
		Say Rs 15 lakhs	

\* List I includes States having total surfaced roads more than 15,000 kms or Motor Vehicles populations of more than 50,000. States included are Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Gujarat, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal and Delhi.

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**Rough cost Estimate for setting up Traffic Engineering Cells in list II States\***

Item	Nos.	Annual cost Rs	5 year cost Rs
A. 1. Executive Engineer	1	19,800/	
2. Asst. Ex. Engineer	2	30,000/	
3. Statistician-cum-Economists/Investigators	2	31,200/	
4. Traffic Enumerators	8	38,400/	
		1,19,400/	5,97,000/
Say Rs. 6 lakhs			
B. Secretariat & other supported Staff.	L.S.		1,30,000/
C. Contingent Expenditure like TA, DA, Office rent, books, printing etc.	L.S.		1,00,000/
D. Office Equipment	L.S.		50,000/
E. Traffic equipment like automatic counter, Calculators, Camera, Stop watches, driver and pavement surface testing equipment, fluxometer etc.	L.S.		1,20,000/
TOTAL			10,00,000/
Say Rs 10 lakhs.			

\* List II States includes States having total surfaced roads less than 15,000 km. and Motor Vehicles population of less than 50,000. States included are Arunachal Pradesh, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Orissa, Sikkim, Tripura, Chandigarh and Goa.

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